# BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001 Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia (BEA-EA) [57152]

Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 2001 population of 4,240,177 ranked 15th in the nation.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$35,100. This PCPI ranked 6th in the United States and was 115 percent of the national average, \$30,574. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 1.1 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 national change was 2.4 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia was \$22,074 and ranked 12th in the United States. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.4 percent.

# TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia had a total personal income (TPI) of \$148,828,648\*. This TPI ranked 14th in the United States. In 1991 the TPI of Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia was \$79,072,323\* and ranked 15th in the United States. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 2.5 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.6 percent.

### COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 71.3 percent of TPI (compared with 69.3 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 17.3 percent (compared with 19.3 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 11.4 percent (compared with 11.4 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings increased 2.4 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 2.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 12.0 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 6.8 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.6 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia increased from \$117,942,514\* in 2000 to \$119,985,260\* in 2001, an increase of 1.7 percent. The 2000-2001 national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$62,674,348\* to the 2001 estimate was 6.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.8 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.